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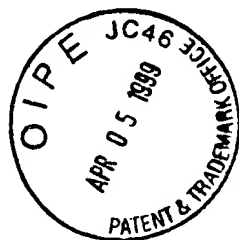
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**AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE
TO DECEMBER 2, 1998 OFFICE ACTION**

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

In the Claims:

Please amend claims 7, 14 and 33-35 as follows:

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7. (Twice Amended) A chimeric molecule comprising (a) a RTD polypeptide having at least about 80% amino acid sequence identity with native sequence RTD polypeptide comprising amino acid residues 1 to 386 of Fig. 1A (SEQ ID NO:1) or (b) an extracellular domain sequence of RTD polypeptide fused to a heterologous amino acid sequence, wherein (a) or (b) binds to an Apo-2 ligand polypeptide.

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14. (Twice Amended) Isolated nucleic acid comprising a nucleotide sequence encoding (a) a RTD polypeptide having at least about 80% amino acid sequence